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at least one wireless transmitter operatively coupled to said bus, adapted to wirelessly transmit the signals from the at least two input sources to at least one wireless headphone set,

wherein said display device is adapted to reproduce the video signals for viewing by the passenger.

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27. (New) The display device according to claim 1, wherein the at least two input sources comprise signals from a video signal generating device and signals from an audio signal generating device.

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28. (New) The display device according to claim 1, wherein the at least two input sources comprise one input source providing signals to one headphone and a second input source providing signals to a second head phone.

REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are pending in the application. Claims 1-26 were rejected. Claim 11 has been cancelled, and claims 27 and 28 are added.

The following remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the Office Action, and to render all the claims at issue patentably distinguishable over the cited references. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

CLAIM REJECTIONS – 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 1-26 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Adams et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,380,978). Applicants assert that Adams does not anticipate the present invention because it does not teach every element of the amended claims.

With respect to claims 1, 25, and 26, the Examiner stated in part that Adams teaches an audio and infrared link (32) and how an IR transmitter for wireless headphones may be provided, as may stereo speakers with small stereo power amp for presentations or playback without headphones.

Adams teaches a digital image enhancer including a deinterlacing processor receptive to an interlaced video stream. The digital image enhancer also includes a video output processor receptive to the output of the deinterlaced video stream to provide a scaled, deinterlaced video stream. Adams, however, does not teach a display device adapted to receive signals from at least two input sources, much less a wireless transmitter which is adapted to wirelessly transmit the signals from the at least two input sources to at least one wireless headphone set, as claimed in claims 1, 25, and 26.

Claims 1, 25, and 26 are, therefore, believed to be patentably distinct from Adams. Claims 2-10 and 12-24 depend from claim 1 and therefore include the patentable features of claim 1. Accordingly, Examiner's reconsideration of the instant rejections is respectfully requested.

CLAIM REJECTIONS – 35 U.S.C. §103

Claim 9 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Adams (U.S. Patent No. 6,380,978) and claim 10 further in view of Burke et al (U.S.

Patent No. 6,134,223). Claims 12-14, 17, and 18 stand rejected as being unpatentable over Adams in view of Boyden et al (U.S. Patent No. 6,301,637).

Claims 9, 10, 12-14, 17, and 18 depend upon claim 1 and include the limitations of claim 1. Neither Adams, Burke, nor, Boyden teaches or suggests a display having a wireless transmitter adapted to wirelessly transmit the signals from the at least two input sources to at least one wireless headphone set, as claimed in claim 1.

Therefore, even if Adams, Burke, and Boyden were combined, there is no teaching in the combination of the features as claimed in claims 9-10, 12-14, 17, and 18.

New claim 27 is directed to a display device of claim 1, wherein the at least two input sources comprise signals from a video signal generating device and signals from an audio signal generating device. Claim 28 is directed to a display device according to claim 1, wherein the at least two input sources comprise one input source providing signals to one headphone and a second input source providing signals to a second head phone. Claims 27 and 28 further define features not disclosed or suggested in the cited references.

CONCLUSION

In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that all pending claims 10 and 12-26 and added claims 27-28, currently presented, are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that Examiner pass this case to issue. If Examiner believes that personal contact with Applicants' representative would expedite prosecution of the application, he is invited to call the

undersigned at his convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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ATTACHMENT FOR CLAIM AMENDMENTS
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The following is a marked up version of the amended claims in which underlines indicate insertions and brackets indicate deletions.

1. (Amended) A display device for a vehicle having a seat, comprising:
an assembly housing adapted to mount the display device for view by a
passenger at a rear [portion of the] seat;
a receiver adapted to receive at least one of video and audio signals from at least
[one external] two input [device] sources; and
at least one wireless transmitter operatively coupled to said receiver, adapted to
wirelessly transmit the [audio] signals from the at least two input sources to at least one
wireless headphone set,
wherein said display device is adapted to reproduce the video signals for viewing
by the passenger.

2. (Amended) The display device according to claim 1, wherein the
[wireless] audio signals are at least one of radio frequency and infrared signals.

15. (Amended) The display device according to claim 1, wherein [said bus]
the display device further comprises a video bus and an audio bus.

16. (Amended) The display device according to claim [1] 15, wherein said video bus is coupled to said display device and said audio bus is coupled to said at least one wireless transmitter.

25. (Amended) A display device for a vehicle having a seat, comprising:
an assembly housing adapted to mount the display device for view by a passenger at a rear [portion of the] seat;
a video bus adapted to couple video signals from external media sources;
an audio bus adapted to couple audio signals from the external media sources;
and
[a] at least one wireless transmitter operatively coupled to said audio bus, adapted to wirelessly transmit the [audio] signals from at least two input sources to a plurality of wireless headphone sets,
wherein said display device is adapted to reproduce the video signals for viewing by the passenger.

26. (Amended) A display device for a vehicle having a seat, comprising:
an assembly housing adapted to mount at the display device for view by a passenger at a rear [portion of the] seat;
a bus adapted to couple at least one of video and audio signals from each of [a plurality of external] at least two input [devices] sources; and

[a] at least one wireless transmitter operatively coupled to said bus, adapted to wirelessly transmit the [audio] signals from the at least two input sources to at least one wireless headphone set,

wherein said display device is adapted to reproduce the video signals for viewing by the passenger.

27. (New) The display device according to claim 1, wherein the at least two input sources comprise signals from a video signal generating device and signals from an audio signal generating device.

28. (New) The display device according to claim 1, wherein the at least two input sources comprise one input source providing signals to one headphone and a second input source providing signals to a second head phone.